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SUBJECT VISIT OF US CUSTOMS OFFICIAL TO TURKEY

REF: (A) SOFIA 1363 (NOTAL) (B) ISTANBUL 2392 (NOTAL) (C)

ANKARA 4310 (D) SOFIA 1162 (NOTAL)

1. U.S. CUSTOMS OFFICIAL, ROY H. AKRIDGE, JR., DURING STOPOVER IN ISTANBUL JULY 2-5 DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF CONDUCTING CCINC IN-COUNTRY TRAINING COURSE WITH SENIOR TURKISH CUSTOMS OFFICIALS IN ISTANBUL. ACCORDING TO AKRIDGE, US CUSTOMS TRAINING DISCUSSED WITH TUNCER BIRKAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF TURKISH CUSTOMS, DURING BIRKAN'S FIVE WEEK TRAINING PROGRAM IN US IN MARCH 1976. SINCE THAT TIME BIRKAN, WITH SUPPORT OF DIRECTOR ISTANBUL CUSTOMS, HAS APPARENTLY OBTAINED MINISTRY OF CUSTOMS AND MONOPOLY'S AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE TO US TEAM CONDUCTING TRAINING MISSION IN TURKEY PROVIDED US GOVT PROPOSES SUCH A MISSION.

2. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH AKRIDGE CONCERNING HIS CONTACTS IN ISTANBUL, CONSUL GENERAL SAID POST HAD NO OBJECTION TO EXPLORATORY DISCUSSION RE POSSIBLE TRAINING BUT WASHINGTON AGENCIES AND EMBASSY ANKARA WOULD NEED TO REVIEW AND CONCUR PRIOR TO ANY PROPOSAL TO TURKISH GOVERNMENT. IN EVENT TRAINING WERE APPROVED CONSUL GENERAL ALSO SAID WE WOULD EXPECT CLOSE COOPERATION BETWEEN CUSTOMS AND DEA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING GUIDELINES. BATJER

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